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Dear Mr. Lake:

I am strongly opposed to any agreement that prevents food suppliers from informing consumers of the nature of their foods. Specifically, the use of Bovine Growth Hormone used in dairy cows is never acknowledged on the labels of dairy products. I am opposed to genetically engineered foods and find it reprehensible that foods produced without Bovine Growth Hormones are being prevented from labeling their products as free of Bovine Growth Hormone.

It is critical that you protect and inform consumers of the nature of the foods we eat. We must be given the choice between genetically engineered foods and naturally grown foods. When foods are allowed to go unlabeled, no one has a choice. We all eat in ignorance.

Sincerely,

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